UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

CIVIL ACTION NO. 04-11924-RGS

IAN J. BROWN, JAMES BROWN and BARBARA BROWN)
Plaintiffs)
v.)
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC. and BOSTON EDISON COMPANY d/b/a)
NSTAR ELECTRIC)
Defendants)

JOINT MOTION TO EXTEND PRE-TRIAL SCHEDULING DEADLINES

The parties to this case respectfully move this Honorable Court to extend the discovery deadline for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of this Motion and to extend the remaining existing deadlines as indicated below. The parties propose the following extensions:

	Existing	Proposed
Non-Expert Discovery Deadline	6/29/06	10/21/06
Plaintiffs' Expert Disclosures Deadline	8/30/06	11/21/06
Defendants' Expert Disclosures Deadline	10/3/06	12/21/06
Expert Depositions Deadline	11/30/06	02/01/07
Dispositive Motions Deadline	01/16/07	03/14/07

In support of this motion, the parties state that they have experienced difficulties in scheduling and coordinating the depositions of out-of-state witnesses within the current discovery period and the existence of an additional out-of-state witness was just discovered by the defendants at a recent deposition in this matter.

The Court has not yet set a date for trial. No party will be prejudiced by the allowance of this motion.

WHEREFORE, the parties respectfully request this Honorable Court allow this motion and extend the deadlines as proposed above.

The Defendant,

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Date: July 24, 2006

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/s/ Joshua A. Lewin